

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Manual Barbosa

Application No.: 09/988,193

Group No.: 3683

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Examiner: Nguyen, Xuan Lan T.

For: DRUM BRAKE BACKING PLATE

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

PRIOR TO APPEAL

In response to the Final Office Action mailed March 5, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows and consider the following remarks. The purpose of the amendment is to place the application in better condition for appeal pursuant to 37 CFR §1.116.